GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AYURVEDA,YOGA & NATUROPATHY,UNANI,SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH)
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1027
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Celebration of Yoga Day in Foreign Countries
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Will the Minister of AYURVEDA,YOGA & NATUROPATHY,UNANI,SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of AYURVEDA, YOGA AND NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

(a) whether 21st June is celebrated as International Yoga Day all over the world due to the initiative of Government of India and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Ministry of External Affairs had organised Yoga Day in 192 countries during the years 2015, 2016 and 2017 and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Yoga Day is grandly organised in almost each State of the country and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether 177 countries had become co-sponsor of the proposal to declare 21st June as International Yoga Day in only 75 days and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)
(a) & (b): Yes. As informed by the Ministry of External Affairs, International Day of Yoga was celebrated in 192 countries (including India) in 2015 and 183 countries in 2016. In respect of 2017 the information is being compiled.
(c): Yoga Day was organized in almost all the States of the country and the details are being compiled.
(d): Yes. Following the address of Prime Minister of India to the United Nations General Assembly on 27th September 2014, the resolution proposed by the United Nations for a dedicated day for highlighting the virtues of practicing Yoga was endorsed by a total of 177 countries out of 193 member countries during the 69th session of the United Nations General Assembly on 11th December, 2014.
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